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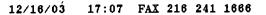
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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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Applicant hereby appeals to the Board from a decision of the primary Examiner mailed **June 16, 2003** finally rejecting claims 1-6, 41-45, 48, and 49 and objecting to claims 7-11, 46, and 47.

The items checked below are appropriate:

1. STATUS OF APPLICANT

This application is on behalf of other than a small entity.

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.17(b) the fee for filing the Notice of Appeal is:

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Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for a three-month extension of time up to and including December 16, 2003 in which to file this Notice of Appeal. A one-month extension of time and fee were previously filed on October 16, 2003. Applicant requests any additional extensions of time that may be necessary and authorizes the extension of time fees, or any deficiency in fees herewith, to be charged to Deposit Account No. <u>06-0308</u>.

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Respectfully submitted,

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